

## WORKING GIRLS TO MARCH AROUND THE CITY HALL

Will Make Demonstration to  
Mayor Michel as Appeal  
for Employment.

ASK WORK FROM CITY.

From 1,000 to 5,000 Unem-  
ployed Women May Take  
Part in Parade.

Within the next week Mayor Michel will look out of his window and see from a thousand to five thousand girls, marching around the City Hall as a demonstration of their demand for employment by the city and state.

The tentative plans were formed at a meeting held in the assembly rooms of the Women's Trade Union League at No. 43 East Twenty-second street, yesterday. Recruiting committees are out to-day. There will be a meeting in the same place to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, to which every woman and girl who cannot get work is invited. The Women's Trade Union League is not in charge of the movement and has not as yet given it recognition, although Miss Axelrod, who is the organizer of the demonstration, is allowed the use of the assembly rooms.

WILL DEMAND FROM THE MAYOR CITY OR STATE WORK.

Of the five hundred who have already pledged themselves to march from Union Square to the City Hall to demand from the Mayor the right to work for the city or State when no private work is to be had a majority are shopgirls who were thrown out of work in the general cutting down of forces after the holiday boom season. Others are needle workers, some of them middle aged and elderly women, who do work at home for dressmakers and ladies' tailors and for wealthy women, who have lately been obliged to economize because of reduced living allowances.

Though the leaders in the movement are reluctant to admit it, the inspiration for a march for "Work for Women" came out of the Mayor's announcement after his inspection of the Municipal Lodging House the night after the zero weather spell a week ago. Mr. Mitchell said then that the city could find work on the streets and in cleaning up the city, which would be ample repayment for the food and shelter the city gave to homeless unemployed men.

MISS NEWMAN EXPLAINS WHAT WORKING GIRLS WANT.

"These girls feel," said Miss Newman of the League, carefully explaining that she was not speaking in any sense for the League, "that they have as much right to earn food and shelter from the city and the State as have the men. Indeed, it is more for the interest of the city and State that they should have work and be independent than it is for the men. It is easier for an unemployed girl to come to harm permanently than for a man."

"What will they accomplish by a parade? They will at least fasten the attention of the people of this city, of the officials and of the press on the fact that there are hundreds of perhaps thousands of women out of employment who are eager for work for enough to get along on decently until they can obtain regular employment again."

"Perhaps the Mayor under his present powers can do nothing. At least we hope to interest him and others enough so that he will today give the power to help unemployed women as well as unemployed men. The girls do not begrudge the men a thing that they get—they want the same chance."

The call for the meeting to-morrow reads as follows:

A CALL TO UNEMPLOYED GIRLS.

How long have you been hunting for work? For days or weeks or even months. You are wondering why you cannot get work harder and harder every day. You feel discouraged. You feel that something ought to be done, but you don't know what. You can do nothing alone. Let us get together and talk the matter over.

Come to a meeting at No. 43 East Twenty-second street, at 11 o'clock, Friday morning, Jan. 23. Men and women who are acquainted with the situation will be there to discuss it with you. Should the movement be approved by the Women's Trade Union League the organization may take it up and call a Cooper Union mass meeting to emphasize the object lesson of the parade.

SEERESS FINED \$100.

Judge Says "Lida the Princess" Will Go to Jail Next Time.

"Lida the Princess," a large, coal black person who says she got her title from the East Indies, was before Recorder Carroll in Paterson, N. J., to-day charged with taking fees to foretell the future. She was arrested under her pseudonym Mrs. Lida Connor, at No. 54 Fair street. Sixteen women clients and four men, all white, were arrested at the same time. The Princess had commanded all present to take a valuable token on the table before her. Water, needles, brooches and mesh bags were piled in a heap and the lights were turned down. The seeress, who had got into the place interfered. Mrs. Connor was fined \$100 and sentenced to jail for 10 days. The clients were released.

## Parents Should Give Girls a Square Deal; Train Them to Become Wage Earners



A GIRL SHOULD SPECIALIZE IN SOME THING

"Prospect of Marriage Should Deter No Man From Making His Daughter Absolutely Able to Face the World From the Bread Winning Standpoint," Says Miss Claire W. Flynn, Author.

"It Is a Kind of Paralysis That Makes a Parent Refuse to Place a Worthy Means in His Girl's Hand to Gain a Living."

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

What is your daughter worth to the world in dollars and cents?

For any day the world may become her employer. Can she qualify as a well-paid specialist or must she join the ranks of unskilled labor? Has she been trained to do any one thing so well that she can with justice demand a financial return for doing it? Or does she remain a pretty, sweet-tempered, utterly incompetent dabbler, an economic cipher instead of an economic unit?

Miss Claire W. Flynn raises these questions in a paper with a punch which she has written for a current magazine, and which she calls "The Girl—Why Not Give Her a Square Deal?" It is obviously Miss Flynn's opinion that the American daughter whose parents are "in moderate circumstances" receives almost everything but a square deal. And I, for one, agree with Miss Flynn.

When I was a little girl my pet idea of eternal punishment was sitting still in a chair and doing nothing. Suspension of all energy met my view of the most searching form of torture. Yet is not that precisely the fate which the well-meaning father and mother are continually inflicting upon their grown daughters?

The immediate condition of the family exchequer does not compel these girls to go to work. On the other hand, they are far from being possessed of the funds which would allow them to make a business of pleasure, after the example of the daughters of the rich. What is left?

A little tennis, a little tea, a little gossip—and a large, large, mental and physical vacuum. Result, women as stupid and useless as china shop-herdresses on the parlor mantelpiece.

THE DUTY OF TRAINING THE GIRL.

"Under the new social and economic conditions no one is more important than the girl of the family," says Miss Flynn. "It is difficult to conceive of any parent who has not had thrust before his eyes the duty of training the girl. But there is still a cruel lack of understanding effort on the part of many parents to face the problem of setting their girl upon the road where she may be able to earn not a wage but a salary."

"They send their girl through a lower school, finishing off with a course at some 'nice' school or academy whose certificate at graduation would be worthless if the necessity arose for her to teach. They give her some accomplishments, enough for her to play or sing prettily; or they send her to an art school, not to learn a profession but to learn to dabble in colors. When she leaves (for they cannot allow her to remain long) she may in emergencies paint and sell some Christmas or Easter cards, or place-cards, or menus. The sale of these commodities is uncertain in most cases, and the pay for them always as small as their usefulness. Such an accomplishment is a tragically slender weapon to put into the hands of a girl. Is it adequate to keep her from a cold-blooded marriage for food and shelter?"

I do not believe that it is, if the marriage of convenience offers. Why is the New York parent so blind to the idiocy of the finishing school? To the detached observer, there is much room for improvement in the woman's college. But, despite her intellectual smugness and other faults, the young woman who has received collegiate training is almost certainly worth more to the world, from the pay-envelope point of view, than the finishing school product. A college diploma at least guarantees a living wage as a school teacher.

"From the time a girl is born until, for one reason or another, she leaves her father's house," Miss Flynn continues, "her education and training should be one direct, continuous, plan."



THE AVERAGE GIRL APPLYING FOR A JOB

DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING THOROUGHLY?

ALL SHE CAN DO IS SIT AND WAIT FOR A HUSBAND

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STARE MOMENTS

WHOOPIG WHEEZE

IS PREVALENT, SO KEEP A LOOKOUT.

Look out that you don't catch the whooping wheeze.

It is a combination of whooping cough and bronchitis, and the victim whoops a while and then varies the monotony by wheezing. At times he whoops and wheezes simultaneously, or tries to.

The odd combination appeared in the city following the recent vagaries of winter, and one of its peculiarities is that it attacks old and young alike.

Often a person thinks he is recovering from bronchial catarrh only to find himself whooping. He gets mad because he thinks he is catching another cold, but finally learns he has the twin troubles. The doctors call it whooping bronchitis, and blame it on the sudden changes from cold to warm.

THREE ARE OVERCOME IN FIGHTING A FIRE

Another Is Cut by Broken Glass; Brooklyn Battalion Chief Aids in Rescue.

Two firemen and a policeman were overcome by smoke and another fireman was painfully injured by broken glass in a fire to-day that damaged the four-story apartment house at No. 423 Third street, corner of Sixth avenue, Brooklyn. Fireman Burns of Hook and Ladder No. 122 is in Beney Hospital recovering from prostration and Fireman John Fitzpatrick was treated at the hospital for cuts on the hands and arms.

The fire started in the cellar and mounted an air shaft. The tenants escaped by the stairways. Patrolman James Marron of the Bergen street station, who arrived after another policeman had turned in an alarm, ran into the building to investigate the flats and rescue any who might have been left behind.

The smoke was thick on the top floor and Marron was overcome. He was found at the head of the stairs by Lieut. Hongart and Fireman Burns and Collins, but Burns and Hongart fell unconscious as they were trying to drag Marron out of danger. Collins, almost gone himself, ran down to the third floor, opened a window and called for help.

Battalion Chief Cummins and Fireman Hogan and Keher went to the assistance of Collins and dragged the three unconscious men to the street. Burns did not recover at once and it was thought best to send him to the hospital.

The damage to the house and contents is estimated at \$5,000.

"CLERICAL" PICKPOCKETS.

(From the Westminster Gazette.)

Doncaster during race week used to be notorious for the pickpockets who resorted there disguised as clerical men.

Dean Pigou tells of a Kewer rector who happened to be passing down the High street to the station on St. Ledger day, when somebody's pocket was picked. A policeman at once seized the rector, who, half-shocked and indignant, gasped out, "This is disgraceful. I am the rector of Kewer."

The policeman, "You pickpockets are all rector or vicars when you come here," and the unfortunate cleric was kept in durance vile until Dean Pigou was communicated with and came to the rescue.

John H. Hegelman Bankrupt.

John H. Hegelman, a real estate dealer of No. 10 Port Washington avenue, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy this afternoon in the United States District Court, giving his assets at \$2,000 and his liabilities at \$24,750. The assets are further increased by mortgages properly worth \$22,500, on which he has been secured to the amount of \$10,000.

GOT WITNESS FOR WIFE IN HER DIVORCE SUIT

Searies Now Regists Payment of Alimony on Ground That Decree Is Fraudulent.

J. Edward Searies of Rochester, N. Y., in the Supreme Court to-day registered an application for the payment of \$1200 a year as alimony on the ground that the divorce Minnie Hall Searies obtained in Chicago in March, 1910, was based on fraud.

Strauss, Reich & Boyer, Broadway attorneys, filed the application for alimony.

"The decree and judgment are void," said Searies in an affidavit. "The evidence in the case was procured by me with the consent of Mrs. Searies. The judgment was based upon fraud practised upon the court. The only evidence sustaining the decree was given by Miss Marie Hubbard, who was procured by me with the knowledge and at the request of Mrs. Searies."

"The attorney who appeared for the plaintiff was hired by me and Mr. Brown, an office partner of Mr. Francis J. Noonan, was hired to appear for me."

Searies claims that from April, 1910, to August, 1912, he paid his former wife \$100 a month, but says his income has been so diminished that he has not been able to keep up the payments.

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